(ii) In certain specific cases, electrification will be justified on considerations of operational flexibility.

(iii) While proposing electrification of a route, the rail network in the region in totality should be considered to include, if necessary, short route lengths, which would otherwise remain non-electrified and reduce operational flexibility.

(b) Only 28.12% of total railway network of Indian Railway is electrified.

(c) and (d) Following three proposals for electrification of railway tracks/ divisions have been recommended by Government of Rajasthan during last two years. The status are as under:

SI. No.	Section	Status
1.	Bina-Kota	The electrification work has been sanctioned.
2.	Jaipur-Sawai Madhopur Ratiam-	Not viable.
3.	Neemuch-Chhitorgarh	Not viable.

Sale of tickets through petrol pumps

†3341, SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any agreement has been reached between Bharat Petroleum Corporation and Railways for sale for railway tickets;

(b) if so, the names of cities and number of petrol pumps where this scheme would be launched; and

(c) by when this scheme is likely to commence, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) IRCTC has signed memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) to sell railway tickets through internet (e-tickets) from their petrol pump/retail stores.

(b) and (c) This facility has alredy started at 36 locations in Bangalore, Bhubaneshwar, Chennai, Hyderbad, Kolkatta, Mumbai, New Delhi and Pune.

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